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1. WE AGREE WITH THE ADIT TERMS OF REFERENCE; HOWEVER, WE TAKE EXCEPTION TO THE ANALYSIS AND AGGREGATION OF DATA ON PRODUCTION CAPABILITIES. DATA ON PRODUCTION REQUIREMENTS, E.G., INVENTORY OBJECTIVES CAN BE RETAINED. WE FEEL THAT SUBPARA D SHOULD BE DEFERRED UNTIL THERE IS REASON TO BELIEVE THAT NATIONAL STUDIES HAVE, OR CAN, PROVIDE A BASIS FOR SUCH AN ANALYSIS. FURTHERMORE, PRODUCTION AND COMPARATIVE EVALUATION APPEAR TO BE BEYOND THE SCOPE OF AC/259-D/379 PARA 14 APPROVED BY THE CNAD.

2. WITH RESPECT TO ANNEX II OF REF, WE FEEL THAT PARAGRAPHS 4, 6 AND 7 ARE NOT NECESSARY AT THIS PARTICULAR TIME AND NOT WITHIN THE SCOPE OF PARAGRAPH 14. WE ALSO QUESTION THE VALUE OF INCLUDING PARAGRAPH 3 ON TEST AND EVALUA-
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TION. THIS MAY FALL WITHIN THE DEFINITION OF RESEARCH AND

DEVELOPMENT; HOWEVER, THE TASK DEFINITION IS TOO BROAD TO SEE WHAT APPLICATION THIS MAY HAVE.

3. THE SELECTION OF "TACTICAL MISSILES" IS APPROVED AND WE FEEL YOUR INITIAL SELECTION OF ANTI-TANK MISSILES AND

SHORADS IS WELL CHOSEN. THE RECENT WORK COMPLETED BY THE FOUR POWERS ON TACTICAL MISSILES CONSTITUTE A RECENT DATA BASE AND SHOULD PROVIDE A READY RESOURCE.

4. THE TIMETABLE IN ANNEX III IS AMBITIOUS; HOWEVER, DEPENDING UPON THE SCOPE OF WORK AND THE RESPONSIVENESS MAY PROVE FEASIBLE. KISSINGER

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